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## As Spies, Reds Say

## Pravda Finds Agency's Role Damaging Exchange Program

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(Copyright 1967 by the New York Times News Co.) MOSCOW - The Central Intelligence Agency was accused Wednesday of throwing a "sinister shadow" over a Soviet-United States student exchange program by manipulating it to send spies to the Soviet Union.

The allegation was published | angry reaction of U.S. students in Pravda, the Soviet Commu-nist party newspaper. The paper asserted that CIA agents were active in the selection and training of U.S. scholars to study or carry out research in Soviet universities and insti-

It accused a number of professors of Russian studies at U.S. colleges of being intelligence agents or of having cooperated with the CIA during studies in the Soviet Union.

NAMES PROFESSOR

Among those accused was Dr. Albert C. Todd of Queens College in New York. He was host to Yevgeny Yevtushenko, the Soviet poet, during his U.S. tour last fall.

The paper also complained that U.S. agents, used "blackmail, intimidation and provocations" in attempts to subvert Soviet students in the United States and to induce them to defect.

Pravda emphasized, however, that the Soviet authorities did not consider all participants in the counter-revolutionary upthe exchange program to be rising in Hungary, Todd ex-secret agents, and it stressed tended assistance to Hungarian the value of the exchanges. The reactionaries. In 1958-59, he

to disclosures of CIA financing of the National Students Association and similar organizations. SEES DAMAGE

Pravda charged that the CIA was damaging the "positive work" of the Inter-University Committee on travel grants, the non-governmental organization that negotiates the U.S. side of the program. The committee, directed by Prof. Robert F. Byrnes, has its headquarters at Indiana University. A six-week summer course for students preparing for academic work in the Soviet Union is guided by CIA agents, the newspaper as-

Todd, a former director of the Inter-University Committee, was accused by Pravda of being a "long-time agent" of the CIA. WORK IN HUNGARY

"In 1949, he was expelled for espionage from Czechoslovakia, where he was staying as a religious missionary," the paper said. "In 1956, at the time of article noted approvingly the came, at the recommendation of the CIA, to Moscow University as a scholar under the exchange program."

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Pravda charged that two other scholars active in the work of the Inter-University Committee, Edward Keenan and Michael Luther, also had been assigned by the CIA. To perform espionage missions in the Soviet Union while here under the exchange program.

Other former U.S. students accused of affiliation with the CIA included Prof. Martin Malin of the University of California and John Adams, who was charged with having attempted to gain access to secret topographic charts while studying at the University of Moscow.